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1. COMPOSITION OF NEW GOVERNMENT (COMMENTS SEPTTEL) ANNOUNCED

MID-MORNING APRIL 17, BUT STILL NO INDICATIONS OF POLICIES
OR PROGRAMS. KEY OFFICERS HAVE BEEN INACCESSIBLE THUS
FAR, BUT ARE EXPECTED TO ASSUME CHARGE OF THEIR MINISTRIES
TOMORROW. MOST MINISTRIES AND SERVICES WERE
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OPEN TODAY, BUT MAIN BUSINESS SEEMED TO BE INVENTORY AND

HANDOVER OF VEHICLES.

2. RADIT NIGER HAS CONTINUED BORADCASTING MESSAGES OF SUPPORT MOSTLY FROM EX-DETAINEES, TEACHERS AND STUDENTS, MERCHANTS, VETERANS, LOW LEVEL CIVIL SERVANTS AND MINOR TRADITIONAL AUTHORITIES. RADIO ALSO CARRIED FUNERAL ORATION FOR TWO ARMY MEMBERS KILLED IN ATTACK ON PALACE. MEDIA HAVE GIVEN PROMINENT PLACE TO LIBERATION OF POLITICAL DETAINEES. THIRTY-SEVEN WERE RELEASED FROM NIAMEY PRISON AND OTHERS FROM PRISONS IN THE INTERIOR. GOVERNMENT NEWSPAPER CARRIED BRIEF SUMMARY OF LT. COL. SEYNI'S INTERVIEW TUESDAY WITH RADIO-TELE LUXEMBOURG. HE WAS QUOTED AS SAYING QUOTE THERE IS NO QUESTION OF DOUBTING OUR RELATIONS WITH FRANCE UNQUOTE. AFP SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW HOWEVER ADDED PHRASE QUOTE ON THE CONTRARY WE WILL REINFORCE THEM UNQUOTE.

3. AID CERALS TEAM CONTINUING LOCAL WORKING-LEVEL CONTACTS. PLANS TO COMMENCE FIELD WORK SHELVED UNTIL SITUATION CLEARS.

4. AIRPORT STILL CLOSED AND CURFEW IN EFFECT, BUT FEWER SOLDIERS SEEN ON STREETS.
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